



General Assembly

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***Proposed Bill No. 5171***

LCO No. 397

Referred to Committee on Joint Committee on Legislative Management

Introduced by:

REP. MIKUTEL, 45th Dist.

***AN ACT TO ENSURE THE TIMELY ADOPTION OF A BUDGET BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that whenever
- 2 there is no biennial budget bill or budget adjustment bill adopted by
- 3 the General Assembly within fifteen days prior to the constitutional
- 4 adjournment date of a regular session, a joint conference committee
- 5 shall be appointed to recommend a budget with balanced revenues
- 6 and appropriations and a fixed schedule for action on such budget in
- 7 the House of Representatives and the Senate prior to such
- 8 adjournment date.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To ensure that the General Assembly adopts a balanced budget prior to the end of a regular session in order to avoid the lowering of the state's credit rating and stabilize the municipal budget process by providing timely determinations of municipal aid.